

Senate Resolution 1307

By: Senators James of the 35th, Fort of the 39th and Tate of the 38th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Mr. William "Bill" Edwards; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Mr. William "Bill" Edwards has long been recognized by the citizens of this
3 state for the vital role that he has played in leadership and his deep personal commitment to
4 the welfare of the citizens of Georgia; and

5 WHEREAS, Mr. Edwards has diligently and conscientiously devoted his time, talents, and
6 energy to the citizens of Fulton County since 2000 as vice chair of District 7 of the Fulton
7 County Commission; and

8 WHEREAS, during his tenure with the commission, Mr. Edwards has honorably represented
9 the residents of unincorporated South Fulton and Southwest Fulton, College Park, East Point,
10 Fairburn, Hapeville, Union City, Palmetto, Chattahoochee Hills, and part of Southwest
11 Atlanta; and

12 WHEREAS, this distinguished graduate of Morehouse College and Atlanta School of Law
13 has served as vice chair in 2003, 2008, and 2009 and was reelected to serve in 2010; and

14 WHEREAS, committed to the best interests of the community, Mr. Edwards sponsors
15 quarterly Community Listening Sessions which provide residents with the opportunity to
16 speak with him publicly regarding their concerns; and

17 WHEREAS, during his tenure, Mr. Edwards has brought over \$3 billion into South Fulton
18 County and watched his vision for South Fulton's business and residential growth become
19 a reality with the opening of several new business ventures, greatly improved the lives of
20 Fulton County's seniors with the construction of several senior centers, and expanded access
21 to the arts through recent art initiatives; and

22 WHEREAS, Mr. Edwards has been recognized with numerous honor and accolades,
23 including the Commissioner of the Year Award from the Georgia Minority Business
24 Association in 2009; and

25 WHEREAS, a 30 year resident of South Fulton County, Mr. Edwards is the proud father of
26 two remarkable children, William, Jr., and Erika, and the grandfather of four, Sierra, William
27 III, Morgan, and McKenzie; and

28 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the extraordinary accomplishments of
29 this distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized.

30 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
31 commend Mr. William "Bill" Edwards for his efficient, effective, unselfish, and dedicated
32 public service to Fulton County.

33 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
34 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Mr. William "Bill" Edwards.